3. Unchahar-lll (210 MW), NTPC.

4. Anpara "C" (500 MW), State Sector.

5. Parichha Extn. (210 MW), State Sector.

Power generating units in Bihar

†5202. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of power generating units in Bihar at present;

(b) Whether Government are considering to establish a new power generating centre to help Bihar in its current power crisis;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the total number of proposals of power projects submitted by the Government of Bihar to the Central Government so far;

(e) the number of proposals sanctioned so far; and

(f) the details of amount provided for sanctioned projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA: (a) At present there are 7 (seven) power stations in the State of Bihar.

(b) and (c) The details of proposals for new power plants/ extension in Bihar is given in the enclosed Statement (See below).

(d) to (f) Central Electricity Authority has received 5 (five) proposals for setting up of power projects from Bihar State Electricity Board/Government of Bihar for Techno-Economic Clearance (TEC). Out of five proposals, four proposals have been returned by CEA to Government of Bihar/BSEB for want of essential inputs/clearances. Only one Scheme of Muzaffarpur TPP Extension was sanctioned by Planning Commission in December, 1995 at an estimated cost of Rs. 1452 crores. However, the project has not been taken up for implementation due to paucity of funds. CEA have advised Bihar State Electricity Board to submit a fresh Detailed Project Report for revalidation of TEC, as the inputs/clearance based on which TEC was accorded, have also lapsed.

†Orifinal notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Proposals to establish new power stations in Bihar State

Name of Project	Capacity	Remarks
Central Sector		
Barn STPS by NTPC (Distt. Patna)	3x660 MW	TEC was accorded on 28.9.2001. Investment approval is to be accorded by NTPC
Nabinagar TPP	2000 MW	Bihar State Electricity Board (BSEB) has submitted a proposal for setting up of Nabinagar Thermal Power Project (2x500 MW) to Central Electricity Authority in September, 1988 for techno-economic clearance. However, CEA returned the project in May, 1989 as certain important linkages like fuel, water and environment were not available. BSEB thereafter did not pursue the proposal. Government of Bihar later made a request for implementation of the project in Central Sector through National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC). Hence, NTPC has been directed by Ministry of Power to take up feasibility studies for development of this project as an export-oriented project.
Kahalgaon STPP St.-ll by NTPC (Distt. Bhagalpur)	2x660 MW	TEC accorded on 23.11.2001. Investment approval is to be accorded by M/s. NTPC
Muzaffarpur TPS Extn. BY BSEB	2x250 MW	TEC accorded in Oct. 1993 and the project was sanctioned by Planning commission in Dec. 95 based on TEC at about Rs. 1452 crores. However, the project could not be taken up due to paucity of funds. In response to BSEB's request to revalidate the TEC, BSEB has been advised by CEA on 22.1.2002 to submit revised DPR along with revalidated inputs/clearnaces, break-up of financial arrangement etc. for consideration/revalidation of TEC.

Name of Project	Capacity	Remarks
Barauni TPS Expansion	160 MW	Scheme received in Jan. 1999 but returned in May, 1989 as fuel linkage could not be tied up by BSEB.

Ahluwalia Committee on NTPC

†5203. SHRI, P .K. MAHESHWARI:
SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: .

Will he Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) when the report of Ahluwalia Committee on NTPC was receive by government and the details of recommendations made by it;

(b) the States who have accepted this report, so far; and

(c) the steps taken by the concerned States regarding the payment of arrears of NTPC?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER) (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) The Expert Group under the Chairmanship of Montek Singh Ahluwalia on the settlement of outstanding dues of the State Electricity Boards (SEB's) payable to the Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) including NTPC, submitted its report in May, 2001. It was considered on 6.07.2001 and endorsed, with minor modifications, by the High level Empowered Group consisting of nine Chief Ministers, the Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission, the Minister of Power and the Minister of Finance. The Ahluwalia Committee had proposed coverage of outstanding dues upto 28.02.2002. The Government have now approved coverage of dues upto 30.09.2001

The salient features of the scheme of one-time settlement of outstanding SEB dues are given in enclosed Statement. *{See* below)

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